

REMARKS

The Examiner notes that the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 23, 2004 (mailed January 20, 2004) fails to comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Applicant will submit a supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under separate cover.

Claims 5-17 have been canceled.

New claims 19-23 are presented for prosecution. New claim 19 is patterned after claim 1, but eliminates the element of "generally coaxially aligned" inner conduit and outlet conduit. New claims 20-22 are patterned after claims 2-4. New claim 23 is patterned after claim 18, but eliminates the element of "generally coaxially aligned" inner conduit and outlet conduit.

Claims 1-4 and 18-23 remain pending in the application. Of these, claim 1 is currently amended.

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Independent claim 1 has been amended to overcome this rejection. Dependent claims 2-4 further define the features of independent claim 1 and therefore are also believed to be allowable.

The Examiner indicates that claim 18 is allowable.

Applicant believes the case is now in condition for allowance. Allowance of claims 1-4 and 18-23 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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